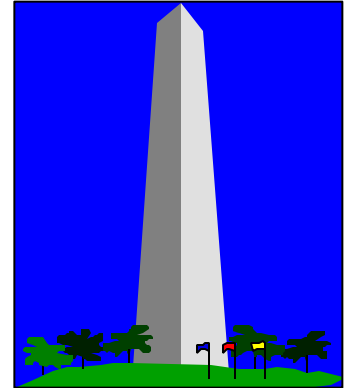
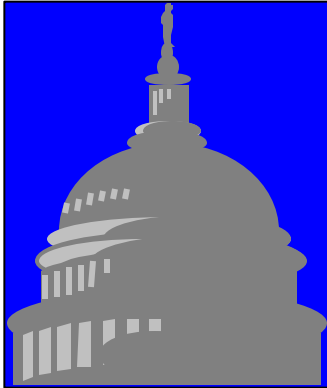


District of Columbia Underground Storage Tank Regulations



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The District of Columbia invited a broad array of potential stakeholders to participate, including Control Board Authority, neighborhood commissions, council members, real estate and apartment owners, banks/lenders, environmental groups, industries, universities, civil rights organizations, environmental consultants and contractors, major oil companies, petroleum trade association, and affected federal and the District agencies. Requested 167 affected stakeholders to participate. Received 63 responses from which a working group of 21 stakeholders were selected in coordination with EPA to join the professional staffs from the DOH, Fire Department, the Corporation Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S.EPA), Department of Justice (DOJ) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). This taskforce was chaired by Dr. V. Sreenivas, Senior Scientist & Engineer, Environmental Health Administration.

The Stakeholders' Task Force met regularly since November 1998. First notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published on June 4, 1999 for public comments to be submitted by July 5, 1999. The final notice of rulemaking was published on October 1, 1999 (first day of fiscal year 2000). These new regulations are the result of a collaborative effort and a successful public-private partnership in the Nation's Capital. Enclosed is the list of stakeholders' participated in this collaborative effort.

Should have any suggestions for improving the services related to the District's UST and the LUST programs please do not hesitate to write to Dr. Sreenivas, Program Manager/Division Chief, 51 N Street, N.E., Room 3019, Washington, D.C. 20002.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK DIVISION**

NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REGULATIONS**

The Director, Department of Health (Department), pursuant to the authority set forth in the District of Columbia Underground Storage Tank Management Act of 1990, D.C. Law 8-242, D.C. Code, Section 6-995 (1995 Repl. Vol.), as amended, and Mayor's Order 98-58, effective April 17, 1998, hereby gives notice of final rulemaking action on Chapters 55 through 67 and new Chapter 70 of Title 20 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR), the District of Columbia Underground Storage Tank Regulations, published at 40 DCR 7835 (November 12, 1993) and at 43 DCR 2799 (May 24, 1996) incorporating text of Proposed Rulemaking published at 42 DCR 5765 (October 20, 1995), in the District of Columbia Register. Final action to adopt these rules was taken on September 16, 1999 as Chapters 55 through 67, and 70 of Title 20 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR), "Environment", Subtitle: District of Columbia Underground Storage Tank Regulations". Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the June 4, 1999, edition of the D.C. Register, at 46 DCR 4910. Comments were received and considered. Editorial corrections were made to correct typographical and grammatical errors throughout, to substitute Department of Health for the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, and to clarify vague and confusing language. The changes do not effect the intent, purposes or meaning of the proposed rulemaking. This final rulemaking will be effective when published in the D.C. Register.

The final rulemaking consists of 14 chapters. The rulemaking includes adoption of a Risk-Based Corrective Action program for releases of petroleum; Voluntary Remediation Action program to encourage interested parties to clean up environmental contamination caused by petroleum releases; Adoption of Federal Lender Liability Rules; Third-party Certification; Provisions for Certification of System Technicians by the District of Columbia. Chapter 67 contains the provisions for determining financial responsibility regarding UST systems. In addition, all chapters of the current regulations, promulgated on November 12, 1993, were streamlined to remove cumbersome procedures or provisions that are no longer applicable, all with the intent of removing obstacles to improve human health and the environmental quality in the Nation's Capital.

The District established a Taskforce that included the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Justice and a broad array of stakeholders from public and private sector. The provisions of this regulation have been developed as a result of a collaborative effort and a successful private/public partnership.